

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

MORI *et. al.*

Application No.: 10/789,022

Filed: February 27, 2004

For: **Power Generating and Propelling
system of Vessel**

Confirmation No.: 7151

Art Unit: 3617

Examiner: Vasudeva, Ajay

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Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance

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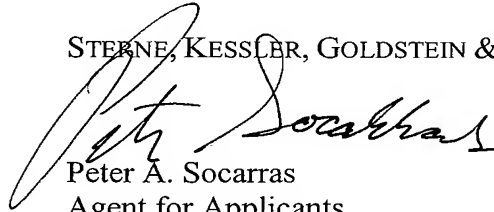
Further to the Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due, mailed August 7, 2006, Applicants provide the following comments on the Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance. The presented Comment on Statement of Reasons for Allowance is provided with the Issue Fee, submitted herewith, as recommended by MPEP § 13.03.

Applicants wish to note that the claims should be limited only by the words presented in the claims. Any words used by the Examiner in his statement of reasons for allowance should not be construed as a limitation upon any of the claims. For example, in his statement of reasons for allowance, the Examiner indicated that the prior art does not disclose "...a propelling system of a marine vessel...." Applicants wish to note that the word "marine" is not presented in each and every allowed independent claim.

Each claim should be limited only by the features enumerated in the actual claim,
and not by Examiner's general assertions of what is not disclosed in the prior art.

Respectfully submitted,

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